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1. There is a war college in Tsitsihar¹ with branches in Kirin, Ssup²ing, Harbin, Mukden, and Liacyang. Students admitted to these schools must possess some or all of the following qualifications:
 - a. They must be from workers' or peasants' families.
 - b. They must have good war records.
 - c. They must be young persons who are upright in thought.
 - d. They must be Party or Youth Corps members.
 - e. They must be military officers of company-level or above in active service.
2. The Chinese Communists have set up Russian language departments in all universities and public schools in Manchuria. The largest schools are the Foreign Language School of Harbin where the Russian Language Department has 2,000 students, the Russian Language Training Class in Dairen which has 1,000 students, and the Russian Language Department of the Northeast Normal School in Mukden which has over 500 students.
3. Because of the shortage of farming implements in Manchuria, the Chinese Communists are now organizing large numbers of labor exchange groups and mutual help groups to help run collective farms. Although the farmers have recently acquired land, they have little faith in the Chinese Communist Government and do not work hard. The Communists have established a tractor service station near Mukden to help the farmers but they are still reluctant to request such help.

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1. The Northeast Military Area Command has recently tightened its control over the movement of the people. No one can travel in or out of Manchuria without travel documents and the inspection and questioning of travelers have become very severe. The procurement of travel documents has become almost impossible without good reasons for proposed trips.
5. Chinese laborers have been recruited from various parts of Manchuria for training in the Soviet Union. The monthly number of recruits is estimated at 5,000 and they may be classified into two groups:
 - a. Very active Party members, labor heroes, and others who possess excellent productive capabilities.
 - b. Ordinary laborers of reasonable technical skill who are able to withstand hardships and who are adequately simple in their political philosophy.
6. The recruits are permitted to take their families to the place of their training and are treated well. The major training centers are Khabarovsk, Chita, and Vladivostok.
7. According to official Communist reports, the period of training is three years, after which they return to China for new positions. In reality, however, their function probably is to supplement Soviet industrial labor in Siberia.
8. Although frequently rumored, it is not true that counter revolutionaries are being sent to Siberia for hard labor. There are a number of concentration camps in Manchuria for such persons.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. This may be identical with the Tsitsihar Military Academy reported in [REDACTED]

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